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MEMORANDUM FOR: [redacted] 25X1A9a

ATTENTION : [redacted] 25X1A9a

SUBJECT : NSA Studies Relevant to Missile Production

1. Attached is an advanced copy of a study of Belarus tractor production at DAZ. This study will be published about the last of May and will be releasable [redacted] We have noted that a similar 25X1C
study is in preparation [redacted] and you may wish to dis- 25X1C
cuss these findings with the appropriate persons in advance of the Ottawa Conference.

2. This paper does not address itself directly to the issue of total floorspace allocated to tractor production, and the residual available for missile and engine production. However, we consider that a reasonable figure can be determined by comparing the DAZ and Minsk Plants, both of which are producing about 30,000 tractors per year. Using this approach T/P is currently estimating that tractor production uses about 1,000,000 of the 4,000,000 square feet at DAZ.

3. Several copies of a study of the Kuybyshev Metallurgical Plant (NR EM SC 61-8) have been forwarded under separate cover. This study shows rather clearly that the plant is essentially what the Soviets declare, a major supplier of various light alloy products, rather than an ICBM producer. As you may know, this is a highly controversial plant, on the function of which CIA and the Air Force differ. We have noted several comments regarding this facility in the Working Party Minutes and it appears that our conclusions are close to those of [redacted] 25X1X7

4. Unless you consider some other system is more workable, in addition to normal distribution, we intend henceforth to forward five copies of appropriate Task Force studies to you for transmittal to the Guided Weapons Working Party.

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Attachment:
Production of "Belarus" Tractors at the Dnepropetrovsk Automobile Plant No. 186 (DAZ), 1954-60

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